ध्यान में रखते हुए शौचालय यूनिट के निर्माण के लिए सरकार द्वारा निर्धारित की गई लागत पर्याप्त है और यदि नहीं, तो लागत को फिर से निर्धारित करने के लिए क्या उपाय किए जा रहे हैं ?

ग्रामीण विकास मंत्रालय (ग्रामीण विकास विभाग) में राज्य मंत्री (श्री उत्तमभाई पटेल) : (क) केन्द्रीय प्रायोजित ग्रामीण स्वच्छता कार्यक्रम के अंतर्गत शौचालय की एक इकाई के निर्माण की लागत केन्द्र सरकार, राज्य सरकार तथा लाभार्थी द्वारा 40:40:20 के अनुपात में वहन की जाती है ।

(ख) इकाई लागत का निर्धारण राज्य सरकार में संबंधित कार्यान्वयन विभाग द्वारा किया जाता है । राज्य सरकारों को 2500 रुपए की इकाई निर्माण लागत पर लक्षद्वीप और अंडमान व निकोबार द्वीप समूह को छोड़कर, जहां अनुमोदित लागत अधिक है और उसका 40 प्रतिशत संघशासित क्षेत्र को अनुदान के रूप में दिया जाता है, अधिकतम 1000 रुपए प्रति इकाई की दर से केन्द्रीय अनुदान अनुमेय है ।

(ग) जी हां, तथापि, राज्य सरकार को सलाह दी गयी है कि वे, जहां इकाई लागत निर्धारित सीमा से अधिक है, केन्द्र सरकार को अनुमोदन हेतु विशिष्ट प्रस्ताव भेजें ।

Status of Million Wells Scheme in Andhra Pradesh

5003. SHRI V. HANUMANTHA RAO : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) what is the status of the million wells scheme; and

(b) how many such wells have been completed in Andhra Pradesh upto the financial year 1993-94 ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT) (SHRI RAMESHWAR THAKUR) : (a) The Million Wells Scheme (MWS) was launched during 1988-89 with the objective of providing open irrigation wells, free of cost to poor, small and marginal farmers belonging to the categories of SCs/STs and freed bonded labourers. When Jawahar Rozgar Yojana (JRY) was launched during 1989-90, MWS was made a sub scheme of JRY. Upto 1992-93, 20% of the JRY resources at the national level used to be earmarked for MWS. From the year 1993-94 earmarking for MWS has been increased from 20% to 30% of the total JRY resources and its coverage extended to non-SC/ST poor, small and marginal farmers subject to the condition that financial benefits to non-SC/ST do not exceed 10% of the total JRY resources.

(b) As per reports received from State Government of Andhra Pradesh, 52339 wells have been completed upto February, 1994 in the State of Andhra Pradesh.

Release of Funds under JRY to District Authorities

5004. SHRI GHUFRAN AZAM : SHRI AHMED MOHMEDBHAI PATEL :

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are considering a proposal for directly releasing funds for Jawahar Rozgar Yojana to district authorities;

(b) whether the State Governments have been apprised of this move;

(c) to what extent it would be more beneficial for the people;

(d) what is the total amount disbursed so far to the district authorities directly during 1993-94;

(e) whether such steps of Government would erode the authority of the State Governments; and

(f) if so, the other steps Government propose to take to check the funds sanctioned under Jawahar Rozgar Yojana to State Governments ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT) (SHRI RAMESHWAR THAKUR) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Yes, Sir.